an behalf of powerlosm owners in Maharashtra; and

(b) if 60, what are the details thereof and what action has been taken by. Government thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES' (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR); (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The representations, *inter alia* seek (relaxation in the reservation of certain fabrics for exclusive production in the . handloom sector, allocation of controlled cloth for produc. tion in the powerloom sector, resto-ration of advantage in favour of powerlooms vis-a-vis the -organised mill sector, modernisation of power-looms, provision of credit and formation of corporations to promote marketing and export of powerloom cloth.

Government do not propose to dis turb the policy of providing protec tion to handlooms by 'reserving arti cles for their exclusive production in the handloom sector. It is not propos ed to allocate controlled cloth for production in the powerloom sefctor as the policy js to transfer this pro duction to the handloom sector. Gov ernment have constituted a Task Force to study the present flow of credit and to suggest measures to augment the flow of credit both for working capital and term-loans for-modernisation. The State Govern ments have been.requested to en courage formation of powerloom cooperatives so as to facilitate the provision of credit and marketing facilities. The existing policy pro vides that the healthy development of the powerloom sector should take place in the context of parity bet ween powerlooms in the organised mill sector and in the unorganised powerloom sector.

बिहार में अजगैवीनाथ महादेव मन्दिर की यात्रा करने वाले तीर्थ यात्रियों के लिए विभिन्न सुविधाओं की व्यवस्था

1802. **श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव :** क्या **पर्यटन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि सरकार बिहार के भागलपुर जिले के सुल्तानगज में स्थित अजगैवीनाथ महादेव मन्दिर तक जाने के लिए संपर्क सड़क तथा परिवहन सहित पर्याप्त सुविधाएं उपलब्ध कराने के लिये क्या कदम उठाने का विचार रखती है जहां प्रत्येक वर्ष श्रावण के महीने में लाखों भक्त एकत्रित होते हैं ?

नागर विमानन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री तथा पर्यटन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री जगदीश टाईटलर) : पर्यटन मंत्रालय राज्य सरकारों से मिलने वाली केवल ऐसी परियोजनाओं के लिए वित्तीय सहायता देता है जो योजना आयोग से अनुमोदित स्कीमों के दायरे के अंतर्गत आती हैं। पर्यटन मंत्रालय को भागलपुर जिले के सुल्तानगंज स्थित अजगैवीनाथ महादेव मन्दिर में पर्यटक सुविधाएं उपलब्ध कराने के बारे में बिहार सरकार से अभी तक कोई प्रस्ताव प्राप्त नहीं हुआ है।

licences for Multi-purpose Plshinf Vessels

1803. SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR' REDDY:-Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) how many licences have so far been issued for th$_e$ acquisition of Multi-purpose flashing vessels under the 100 per cent export-oriented industry by his Ministry; and

(b) what a're th$_e$ guidelines issued to the financial institutions for funding purchase of these vessels?

THE MINISTER OF STAT* IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R..DAS MUNSHI): (a) Eighty seven letters of approval for the acquisition of multi-purpose **tra-**

wlers under the ;cheme of 100 per cent Export Oriented Units have been issued so far

(b) Deep sea • fishing industry is governed by the. guidelines issued by the Reserved Bank of India (RBI) for lending to the priority sector, Banks have to deploy at least 16 per cent of their outstanding advances towards direct agb iculture which includes fishing also.

The acquisitioi of trawlers was earlier financed by the Shipping Development, Fun,j Committee (SDFC). Presently the function is catered to by the Shipping Credit and Invest-ment Company of India Ltd. (SCICI).

Survey on Expert Prospects of Tobf ceo

1804. SHRI SUR1SH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey was con ducted by the To >acco Board, Gun-tur in Andh'ra Pradesh, which shows a promising export market and if so, what follow-up acti >n has been taken or is proposed to bt taken in the mat ter; and

(b) what is the additional export potential of tobacco as per the above study?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) No market survey was conducted on un manufactured tobacco in recent, years by the tobacco Board. However, in 1979 a survey v as carried out in selected markets. Pursuant to that production of FCB Tobacco, in light soil areas has been revised and pro duction in black so [areas regulated; plant position gracing has been in troduced in the lig it soil areas of Andhra Pradesh, and Karnataka; auctions have been introduced; ex port duty for unm; nufactured tobac co has been abolished; and contain-erisatinn «««•«"»»»- *.<V~J------>

(b) The survey did not make any specific recommendation on additional export potential.

Attack on Indians in Suva In FIJI

1805. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that the ethnic Fijians ran through the streoti of Suva in an hour long rampage recently and attacked Indians and Indian-owned shops;

(b) of so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what steps Government have taken to protect Indians in Fiji.and their property?

. THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) and (b) A gang of Fijian youths attacked some persons of Indian origin in Tailevu near Suva on the night of 29th June, 1987 and burnt a shop, a house and a car and damaged other buildings. The home of a person of Indian origin was also shot at in Sigatoka in the middle of the night.

(c) Government of India cannot directly intervene on behalf of the community of Indian origin whose safety and welfare is the responsibility of the authorities in Fiji. The Government of India has, however, taken diplomatic initiatives in order to mobilise international opinion in favour, *inter alia,* of enshring that no ethnic group in Fiji's multiracial society is discriminated against.

Permission to STC/MMTC for Export of What

1806. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has given clearance to STC/ MMTC for the export of wheat linked with the import of edible oils nnd